S.No.	Name of Hybrids	Name of Company	Zone
Approval granted in 2004			
4.	RCH 2 Bt.	M/s. Rasi Seeds Ltd.	Central & South
Approval granted in 2005			
5.	NCS-207 Mallika	M/s. Nuziveedu Seeds Ltd.	Central & South
6.	NCS-145 Bunny	M/s. Nuziveedu Seeds Ltd.	Central & South
7.	RCH-144 Bt	M/s Rasi Seeds Ltd	Central
8.	RCH-118 Bt	M/s Rasi Seeds Ltd	Central
9.	RCH-138 Bt	M/s Rasi Seeds Ltd	Central
10.	RCH-20 Bt	M/s Rasi Seeds Ltd	South
11.	RCH-368 Bt	M/s Rasi Seeds Ltd	South
12.	RCH-134 Bt	M/s Rasi Seeds Ltd	North
13.	RCH-317 Bt	M/s Rasi Seeds Ltd	North
14.	MRC-6322 Bt	M/s Mahyco	South
15.	MRC-6918 Bt	M/s Mahyco	South
16.	MRC-6301 Bt	M/s Mahyco	Central & North
17.	MRC-6304Bt	M/s Mahyco	North
18.	Ankur-651 Bt	M/s Ankur Seeds Ltd	Central & North
19.	Ankur-2534 Bt	M/s Ankur Seeds Ltd	North
20.	Ankur-09	M/s Ankur Seeds Ltd	Central

States covering each zone: Central Zone (Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra & Gujarat) South Zone (Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka & Tamil Nadu) and North Zone (Punjab, Rajasthan & Haryana)

***The GEAC did not renew its permission for Andhra Pradesh in respect of these three varieties.

Construction of mud sea walls around the Andaman and Nicobar Islands

1316. SHRI S.P.M. SYED KAHN: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to construct mud sea walls all around the Andaman and Nicobar Islands ignoring the warning by ecologists that these walls will affect the Island's ecology and destroy fragile coral reefs;

(b) whether it is a fact that a portion of walls already constructed has gone up in some areas where sea water gushes in during high tide, destroying crops and submerging roads;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the justification and safeguards taken by Government in implementation of the project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) As per the report of Prof. M.S. Swaminathan Research Foundation on Andaman & Nicobar Islands (May, 2005), following the December, 2004 tsunami, there is a northeast-southwest tilt, whereby the northernmost inhabited region in North Andaman, Diglipur, has risen between 0.5 and 0.8 mts., whereas India's southernmost point (Indira Point) on Greater Nicobar Island has sunk by between 1.4 and 1.5 mts. The high tide seawater now inundates agricultural lands and coconut forests in several parts of South Andaman and Nicobar Islands.

(d) Does not arise.

Request from foreign countries for Gharials

1317. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that foreign countries had evinced keen interest to get Gharials, now almost on the verge of extinction, from India;

(b) if so, the number of requests pending with Government;

(c) whether Government had held talks with any country for an international exchange;

(d) if so, the details of the talks held so far with different countries;

(e) the outcome thereof; and

(f) whether Government have given any nod for the exchange programme with the Nandankanan Park with a few pairs of Gharials with Government of Andhra Pradesh?